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U.S. aircraft hammers Fallujah after dark



By Jayson Keyser/Associated Press

FALLUJAH, Iraq (AP) — Multiple explosions shook Fallujah after dark Tuesday, and large plumes of smoke billowed into the sky as fighting erupted for the second straight night. An American AC-130 gunship hammered targets in the city.

Blasts and gunfire went on steadily for more than half an hour in sustained fighting, apparently in the northern Jolan district, a poor neighborhood where Sunni insurgents are concentrated.

Flames could be seen rising from buildings,

and mosque loudspeakers in other parts of the city called for firefighters to mobilize.

The fighting erupted as a two-day extension to a cease-fire ended. Earlier in the day, U.S. aircraft dropped leaflets in the city of 200,000 people, calling on insurgents to surrender.

"Surrender, you are surrounded," the leaflets said. "If you are a terrorist, beware, because your last day was yesterday. In order to spare your life end your actions and surrender to coalition forces now. We are coming to arrest you."

Fighting in the same neighborhood on

Monday night killed one Marine and eight insurgents, and tank fire destroyed a mosque minaret that U.S. commanders said insurgents were using as sniper's nest.

U.S. troops fought militiamen overnight near Najaf, killing 64 gunmen and destroying an anti-aircraft gun. An American soldier was killed Tuesday in Baghdad, raising the U.S. death toll for April to 115 — the same number lost during the entire invasion of Iraq last year.

The battle outside Najaf was one of the heaviest with the militia, as U.S. troops try to increase the pressure on gunmen loyal to radi-

cal cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. U.S. troops moved into a base in Najaf that Spanish troops are abandoning, but promised to stay away from the sensitive Shiite shrines at the heart of the southern city.

On Sunday, the U.S. military had announced a two-day extension to the fragile cease-fire in Fallujah to give political efforts a chance — backing down from threats to launch an all-out assault on the city to root out insurgents. Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt had said there was no ultimatum for a launch of

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SUNNY SCHOOLGIRLS



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CHITWOOD RESIDENTS SHANNON Heyl, a freshman business major from Beaumont; Julie Barrett, a freshman restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Lufkin; and Analisa Brooks, a freshman public relations major from Amarillo; soak up some sun in the warm weather in Urbanovsky Park on Tuesday afternoon.

Student Affairs

Tech officials meet to discuss bike lane plan

By Sally Gunter/The University Daily

Texas Tech students who look to save money on parking passes by bicycling to class will have easier on-campus access in the fall.

Members of the Tech administration and the Student Government Association met for the second time Tuesday to move forward on a plan to send contractors to campus to incorporate bike lanes on the Tech campus.

Ira Fink and Associates Inc. are to look at the Tech master plan and analyze issues regarding the addition of joint use trails, said Vice President for Operations Max Hinojosa.

There is no set date for when representatives from the consultant company will make a visit to Tech, Hinojosa said.

During the meeting, Hinojosa announced the bike lanes originally included in the plan for the Tech Parkway were cut from the budget by the Office of Facilities, Planning and Construction. Financial issues were the reason behind the deletion of the 10-foot wide joint use trail adjacent north and south with the Parkway.

The joint use crossings over the Marsha Sharp Freeway were not cut however, he said, because the Texas Department of Transportation is paying for that construction.

The administration is designating \$70,000 to develop the plan. This price would ensure quality of the project, while the bike lane plan could overlay the master plan to the university, Hinojosa said.

A bike lane at the intersection of Flint Avenue and 19th Street will



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Campus News

Fisheries professor selected as Faculty Senate president

By Michael Castellon/The University Daily

The Texas Tech Faculty Senate has been presented with some challenging tasks the past several years. A university-wide mission to increase student enrollment, retain and hire new quality faculty, legislative sessions, accreditation and the hiring of a controversial basketball coach has fueled Senate debate in recent sessions.

Despite the seemingly overwhelming agenda the Senate has to negotiate each month, Gene Wilde is ready for the opportunity to tackle issues affecting faculty and students at the university.

Wilde, who serves as an associate professor of fisheries at the university, was elected Senate president earlier this month.

"It was kind of a surprise to me," he said. "It took almost two weeks for it to settle in. But ultimately, I think it's going to be a fun thing to do."

In the fall, Wilde attended several meetings of professional and recreational anglers in Australia. After several discussions with practitioners of his exper-

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DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF fisheries, Gene Wilde was selected as the new president of the Faculty Senate.

Public Affairs

Lubbock election's ballot includes \$30 million bond

By Sally Gunter/The University Daily

Early voting for the Lubbock general and special elections begins Wednesday. Voters will elect candidates to the mayoral seat, municipal court judge seat and four City Council positions.

The ballot also includes a special bond election totaling \$30 million. The seven propositions are separated on the ballot and are voted on individually, said Bob Goodwin, corporate communications manager for the city.

The most costly bond issue regards street improvement. More than \$9 million would go toward paving Milwaukee Avenue from 45th Street to Spur 327, infrastructure in northeast Lubbock for new residential subdivision, the North University Gateway project and improvements of either Slide Road and North Loop 289 or Erskine from Frankford Avenue to Quaker.

Renovations to the Mahon Library, Civic Center and auditorium, Lubbock police and municipal court, animal shelter, Lubbock fire stations and various Lubbock public parks are separate issues on the bond election.

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Campus News

Coleman residence hall fire causes \$2,000 damage

By Beth Aaron/The University Daily

A fire reported in the second-floor study lounge of Coleman sparked costs estimated at \$2,000, said Sean Duggan, managing director for Housing and Residence Life. The cost includes the cost of the couch, extraction and cleanup.

The fire occurred about 3 a.m. Saturday. No one was injured in the fire, as it was contained to a couch and a backpack in the lounge.

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Texas Tech Police Department said Tech Fire Marshal Walter James classified the fire as accidental.

"It wasn't intentional," Hoffman said. "That's what I've been hearing."

Mike Kennon, fire marshal with the Tech Fire Department, said results of the

investigation about the cause of the fire are pending. He said the Tech Fire Department is working with the Tech Police Department for further information.

Hoffman said an officer responded to the fire alarm and saw smoke billowing out of the west end of the study lounge. After reinforcements were called and the building was evacuated, the Lubbock Fire Department responded, Hoffman said. By the time they arrived on scene, the fire had already been extinguished by the fire sprinkler system.

During the span of his 23 years at Tech, Jim Burkhalter, associate vice president for Student Affairs, said he has seen a fairly consistent amount of fire activity in the residence halls. He said this year's number of fire accidents is about equal to previous years.

Michael Shonrock, vice president of Student Affairs, said according to the state fire marshal, all high-rise residence facilities must contain life safety systems, also known as fire sprinkler systems.

"We're totally in compliance with the state fire marshal," he said. "Our goal is to have zero fires."

Additional steps were taken to ensure the safety of students and faculty living in the residence halls, Shonrock said.

"When you have 6,000 students living on campus, there's always a possibility for something to happen," he said. "The good news is the sprinkler system is working very, very well."

When a fire is detected in a residence building containing a sprinkler system,

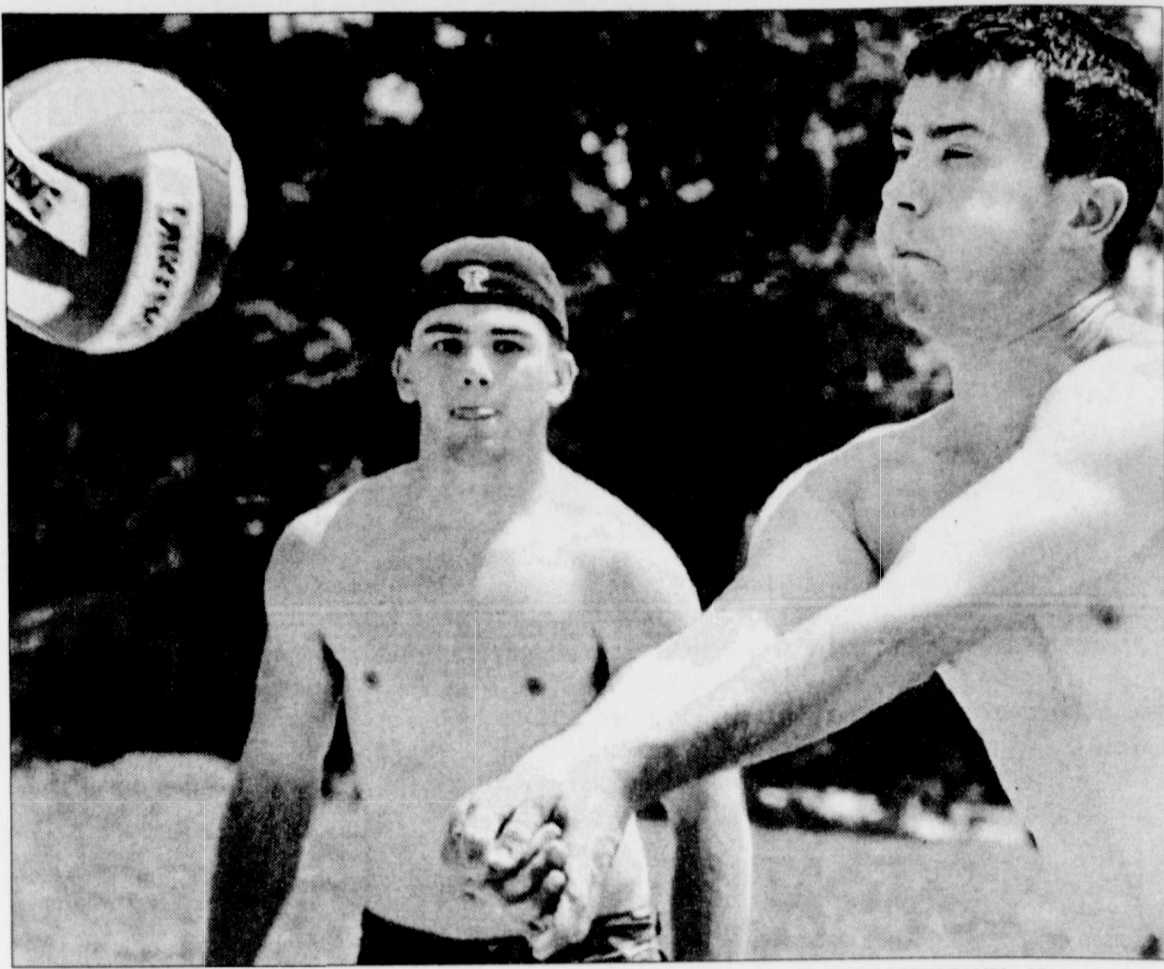
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HUTCH STILGENBAUER/The University Daily

STUDENTS WAIT TO return to their rooms after a fire broke out in the Coleman residence hall at 3 a.m. Saturday in the second-floor study lounge. The fire was ruled accidental by the Tech Fire Department.

I GOT IT



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BLAKE BROWN, A freshman agriculture science major from Colmesneil, watches as Jerry Peterson, a freshman finance major from Arlington, goes for a bump, while playing two-on-two volleyball on the recreational courts in Urbanovsky Park on Tuesday afternoon.

NYU student transferred to campus housing after several months of living in library

NEW YORK (AP) — A New York University sophomore who says he spent eight months sleeping in a library basement because he couldn't afford campus housing has been moved to a free dormitory room, school officials said.

Steve Stanzak, 20, said he began spending six hours a night in the sub-basement of Bobst Library at the beginning of the academic year after he was unable to pay a \$1,000 housing deposit.

He slept on four library chairs and carried vital belongings in his backpack. He kept other items in storage lockers.

University officials discovered an online journal Stanzak kept about his experiences and relocated him to a free dorm room last week.

"Seventy percent of our students are on financial aid," NYU spokes-

man John Beckman said Tuesday. "If they have a problem that we choose to come to talk to us and we find a way to help them. This person chose a pretty unique solution to his issues."

Scores of students read about Stanzak's daily adventures on his Web journal, www.homelesstatnyu.com, and he became something of a campus celebrity.

"I thank everyone who helps me get through the day, and makes me realize that although I'm poor and live in a library... that I'm learning a lot about life, and that I will make it through this," reads an entry dated April 15.

Stanzak, who dubbed himself "Bobst Boy" on the Web site, says he washed in the library's bathroom and took occasional showers at friends' apartments and dorm rooms.

He said security guards awakened him about five times in the library,

twice telling him he couldn't sleep there, other times checking that he was OK and was in fact an NYU student.

"I wasn't afraid of being thrown out of the library," he told *The New York Times* for a story in Tuesday's editions. "I could have slept in the park. My worst fear was getting kicked of NYU. I love this school."

Although he works four jobs, receives a \$15,000 NYU scholarship and has several student loans, Stanzak said, he received no financial assistance from his divorced parents and had only enough money to cover tuition, about \$31,000 a year for full-time undergraduates. Undergraduate housing costs anywhere from \$7,700 to \$16,600 per year, depending on the room arrangement.

The Rundown



Patient investigated in death of co-resident

AUSTIN (AP) — Austin police were investigating a homicide at the Austin State Hospital after a resident died from injuries suffered in a fight two weeks earlier, a detective said Tuesday.

Domingo Galvez, 41, died at an Austin hospital on Saturday, police said.

Homicide Detective David Fugitt said another state hospital patient punched Galvez three to four times in the face, and Galvez fell and knocked the back of his head on a tile floor.

Fugitt said charges are pending against the suspect, whom he declined to name.

Most residents of the state hospital are brought in by police because they exhibit acute mental illness and show a potential for endangering themselves or others, said Carl Schock, superintendent of the state hospital.

The facility houses a maximum of 300 patients, and the average stay is 17 1/2 days, he said.

The fatal fight took place in a dayroom, Fugitt said.

Schock said dayrooms serve as the common areas for residents who are clustered together in units. A unit houses from 18 to 25 residents and also includes sleeping areas, he said.

Schock would not comment on specifics of the homicide.

He said all patients are screened upon entrance and continually assessed for their potential to harm themselves and others.

Patients who pose significant risk are monitored constantly by a staff member. Otherwise, patients are observed but may interact among one another without supervision, Schock said.

The suspect was not in police custody and remained at the state hospital on Tuesday, Fugitt said. The hospital had taken steps to ensure that the suspect did not pose a danger to others, he said.

Police requested hospital records on Galvez and the suspect in their investigation. Fugitt said police would "pay particular attention to issues of culpable mental state and criminal responsibility."

Fort Bragg helicopter missing in S. Carolina

FLORENCE, S.C. (AP) — An Army helicopter with three soldiers aboard vanished during a training flight in bad weather, and a search was under way Tuesday in a swampy, wooded region, authorities said.

The UH-60 Blackhawk was on a flight from Fort Bragg, N.C., to Florence when it was reported missing about 9:50 p.m. Monday.

It wasn't known if the helicopter crashed or made an emergency landing, but there had been no distress signals, Lt. Col. Billy Buckner, a spokesman for the 18th Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, said Tuesday morning.

There were also no signals from radios that crew members carry on their flight survival vests, Buckner said.

Rain and thunderstorms moved across South Carolina on Monday evening.

"Obviously, it was inclement weather but our aircraft and crews can fly in that," Buckner said.

The missing Blackhawk was accompanied by a second helicopter, which landed at the town of Dillon near the North Carolina state line, Buckner said. He didn't immediately know why its crew landed or if they knew anything about the missing helicopter.

The missing Blackhawk was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 159th Aviation Regiment and had left Fort Bragg about 8:30 p.m. Its last known position was 20 miles northeast of Florence in northeastern South Carolina, Buckner said.

The search area is swampy, thickly vegetated terrain along the Pee Dee River, said Dusty Owens, director of the Florence County Emergency Management Division.

Ordinarily, air teams look for damaged trees for clues to an aircraft's location, but many of the trees in the search area were damaged by an ice storm months ago, Owens said.

The search operation included the Civil Air Patrol, helicopter crews and soldiers on the ground from Fort Bragg, Florence County officials, emergency medical and fire services, state Natural Resources Department officers.

Aid groups assess need for blast victims

BEIJING (AP) — North Korean train explosion victims battling severe burns and meager medical options received visitors Tuesday from international aid workers, who began assessing long-term needs for relief.

North Korea said Tuesday the disaster caused about \$356 million in damage. South Korea has promised \$1 million in relief goods and the United States said it would give \$100,000 to the Red Cross to help those left homeless from Thursday's explosion.

Germany said Tuesday it would send \$119,000 to finance food deliveries and building material. China has dispatched truckloads of tents, blankets and food. Japan, Russia, Australia and the United States have also offered to send supplies.

KCNA, North Korea's official news agency, said more than 30 public buildings and houses for at least 8,100 families were destroyed, and that the blast was equivalent to about 100 one-ton bombs going off at the same time.

Getting more food, blankets and medicine to the thousands injured and made homeless are among the priorities, aid agencies said.

Private aid organizations, U.N. groups and the Red Cross "are proceeding with detailed plans for getting the job done, making sure things are reaching the right spots," Masood Heyder, U.N. coordinator in the North's capital, Pyongyang, told The Associated Press.

The death toll stood Tuesday at 161 with more than 1,300 people injured and many more left homeless, aid agencies said.

"We saw a number of families searching for their belongings — what was left of them — and then loading what little they could find onto hand-pushed carts or ox carts and moving out of town to find new accommodation elsewhere," said Tony Banbury, the program's Asia regional director of the U.N. World Food Program.

"It was a very sad and poignant sight," he said.

The destroyed school taught more than 1,000 students a day, and the U.N. Children's Fund was looking for other buildings nearby where classes could be held, said Pierrette Vulthi, UNICEF's representative in Pyongyang.

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Fire

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Burkhalter said, a piece in the sprinkler melts and the sprinkler head opens. A large amount of water is emitted from the sprinkler.

"The purpose of sprinklers is to protect people, not property," he said. "Sprinklers save lives."

Water is only sprayed in areas where fire has been sensed, Burkhalter said, to minimize property damage as much as possible.

Max Hinojosa, vice president of operations, said students can take their own precautions by obeying the rules set by the Housing and Dining Office. He reminded students to watch how many appliances they plug into extension cords and outlets, and

refrain from smoking in the halls.

"It goes without saying that we don't allow any smoking in the halls," he said. "An errant cigarette can cause a lot of damage."



Hinojosa said students should also respect the fire safety systems in place. Students living off campus in houses or apartments should also keep in mind the same regulations, he said.

During the past two to three years, Burkhalter said, fire sprinkler systems have been put into Chitwood, Coleman, Stangel/Murdough and Horn/Knapp residence halls. This summer, a system costing about \$4 million will be installed in Hulen/Clement.

Wall/Gates, Sneed and Bledsoe also will be outfitted with fire sprinkler systems in the years to come,

Burkhalter said.

"It's going to be a very healthy price tag by the time we're through," he said.

Burkhalter said when most of the residence halls were built, fire sprinkler systems were not required. For some of the existing small buildings, they are still not mandatory.

Michael Shonrock, vice president of Student Affairs, said the cost of sprinkler systems varies from building to building. Generally, the cost of the systems ranges from \$3 million to \$4 million each.

Because safety precautions such as the new sprinkler systems are being added to Tech's residence halls, Shonrock said students may see an increase in housing costs.

"We see it as an investment," he said, "not an expense."

For more information about housing regulations, contact Housing and Residence Life at (806) 742-2661.

Fallujah

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an assault if political efforts are not showing results.

"We don't think deadlines are helpful," Kimmitt said Tuesday.

Earlier Tuesday, Marines were pushing ahead with training for a key part of the political track, the introduction of U.S.-Iraqi patrols into Fallujah.

As the United Nations prepared to discuss the form of a caretaker government due to take power June 30, U.S.-appointed Iraqi leaders complained that the administration won't have real sovereignty as promised by American administrators for months.

"I think the sovereignty will be weak and not complete," said Mahmoud Orthman, a member of the Governing Council. For "the

security situation, there will still be the United States," he said.

He also expressed worries there will be limits as to what laws the Iraqis can pass. If the government can't make laws or provide security "it will not be real sovereignty," he said. "The less sovereignty there is, the less the possibility that the government will be able to work and achieve its tasks."

U.N. envoy Lakhdar Brahimi has proposed that the Governing Council be dissolved and caretaker government made up of nonpartisan experts be created to run Iraq until elections in January. Washington has said that since Iraqi security forces are still not able to fight insurgents, U.S. forces will hold security powers even after the handover.

Ahmad Chalabi, a council member and close American ally, said he is demanding from top U.S. administrator L. Paul Bremer that the coming government be given strong roles

on both the security and political fronts.

"We tell him that Iraqis should have a bigger role in security, we tell him that Iraqis should have a bigger role in taking financial decisions, we tell him that Iraqis should have a role in running the Iraqi reconstruction fund," he told the Arab television station Al-Arabiya.

John Negroponte, nominated to be ambassador to Baghdad, said at his Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing that Iraqis will have "a lot more sovereignty than they have right now" after the June 30 handover, but the United States will still have a key role in providing and overseeing security, and the caretaker government won't be able to make laws.

Negroponte said the focus of the transitional government would be to organize elections, and the cabinet ministries will carry out the government's day-to-day operations.

Bikes

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extend north on the east of the Flint Avenue Parking Garage until intersecting with 18th Street.

The intersection of Boston Avenue and 19th Street also will be improved, although, Art Glick, executive associate of operations site development, said the details of that intersection are still vague.

Students recommended a bike lane be created from 8th Street and University Avenue west onto the interior of the campus as well as one around the intersection of 15th Street and University Avenue.

Glick said the narrowness of 8th Street might present problems, but the bike lane could detour south along University Avenue and access campus south of Sneed Residence Hall.

Hinojosa and Glick agreed they would look into the access points and determine which are feasible.

The idea for the addition of bike lanes began when Cameron Buckner, a facilities, planning and construction committee member of the SGA, said he was assigned to write a proposal for a technical writing course.

Since Buckner had been riding his bike on campus since his freshman year, he said the natural idea would be to write a proposal to build bike lanes throughout campus.

After writing the proposal, Buckner took the document to Colton Batchelor, then SGA external vice president. Once Batchelor began a committee to look into the subject, Buckner said he gathered some of his friends, and they began research on the topic during the fall semester.

The group met with Tech admin-

istrators in January and had not heard of progress on the project since the original meeting.

Due to this miscommunication between the administrators and students regarding the progress, Anne Hunninghake, SGA external vice president, said she will continue to pressure administrators to pursue the construction of bike lanes as her predecessor Batchelor initiated.

"I'm still as definitely interested in this as he is," she said. "This is an initiative we want to continue."

The bike lanes have been a long time coming, Glick said.

"This is a reality and people are serious about bike lanes," he said. "This is the fourth time since I've been here that there has been an expressed interest in bike lanes and nothing's been done. If we actually get this done, it will be a paradigm of things changing."

President

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-tise, Wilde noticed that in some cases, there was an inherent lack of volunteers or candidates to fill leadership roles. Upon his return to Tech, he decided to take initiative to prevent this from happening to groups he was associated with at the university.

"I came back, and they were looking for people to do it, and they were looking for someone with the kind of experience I had," he said.

Wilde has served on a number of faculty committees since coming to Tech in 1995, experience that has made him strikingly familiar with the university's Operating Policies manual. He hopes to use his experience to enable the Senate to offer feedback to university officials on how the OP manual can be made more efficient.

"There are a number of OPs that have come due for revision, and I believe there's a number the Senate could comment on. Some small changes could make life a lot better for everyone."

Wilde would also like to see an initiative to create more dialogue between faculty and university administrators.

"One of the things I would like to do is increase the flow of information between the Senate and the administration," he said. "Some of the faculty are kept in the dark by deans and department chairs, and that's something I would like to see improved upon."

Presiding Faculty Senate President Nancy Reed said the Senate agenda should be relatively clear for the examination of new issues beginning in the fall.

"We've pretty well completed the business for this year," she said. "I'm very much looking forward to seeing Dr. Wilde serve as president, and I have a lot of confidence in his ability."

The past two semesters, the Senate has tackled a number of tough issues, including discussion related to faculty salaries, and a highly-publicized outburst between Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith and men's basketball coach Bob Knight.

Because of his Faculty Development Leave to Australia, Wilde was not present to partake in many of the discussions involved in the Senate for the early part of the year.

"I see organizing responses to these types of issues as an important part of the presidency," he said.

Prior to beginning his service at the university, Wilde served as a fishery statistician for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. He earned a Ph.D. in zoology from Oklahoma State University, and earned a bachelor's and master's in biological sciences at UNLV.

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Elections

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Gilbert Montes II, Roger Setler and Chad Dawkins are vying for the mayoral seat against incumbent Marc McDougal.

Also included on the ballots for each district is the Municipal Court Judge, At Large. Former City Councilman for District 1, Victor Hernandez, faces the incumbent Robert A. Doty.

There are no Council members for District 3 or 5 on the ballot.

Cloetta Shots and Linda DeLeon are running for Hernandez' position on the Council for District 1.

Incumbent for District 2, T.J. Patterson, will face Floyd Price, Janie Landin Ramirez, Sam G. Rodriguez, Isaac "Ike" Garnett and Nathaniel Alsbrooks, II.

Phyllis Jones, Dan Burns, Todd Overholser, Casey Brown-Myers and Chris Gallameau are on the ballot for District 4. Frank Morrison, Councilman for District 4, withdrew his name from the race in late March to focus on his business, Morrison Commodity Services.

District 6 Councilman Jim Gilbreath is running for re-election unopposed.

Candidates for two positions on the Lubbock Independent School District Board in Districts 1 and 2 also are on the ballot for the County.

Depending on the vote, there

could quite possibly be three women serving on the Council after the election, Goodwin said.

The 2002 City elections had a good turnout, and City Secretary Rebecca Garza said she expects the same this year. "I anticipate a similar turnout," she said. "I don't anticipate it would be any heavier than we've had in years."

Voters can cast a ballot for their district at any early voting location, but Garza said during the general election date May 15, voters will have to vote at specific locations within their precincts.

Early voting ends May 11. Garza said she advises all voters to bring a type of identification when they vote to avoid being considered as a provisional voter, or the vote not counting.

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS

The hours for voting vary with location, but all locations will be closed May 2. Call 775-2061 or 775-1339 for more information or questions regarding voting eligibility.

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- Lubbock Independent School District (1628 19th Street)
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Pat Tillman — American hero

There are pictures you should probably see at www.thememoryhole.org. No, they're not Janet Jackson's nipple or Jesus bleeding a new Red Sea, but still. As a rule of thumb, if the government doesn't want you to see something, you have a patriotic duty to see it.

And the government doesn't want you to see these. Tami Silico, an overseas contractor for Maytag, shot a photo of caskets containing the bodies of soldiers killed in Iraq being loaded up and sent home. Her photo ran in *The Seattle Times* along with a story about the work she and her husband are doing.

This was a No-No. Bush and Company have a strict "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, and For God's Sake, Don't Show" policy regarding this very subject. So, she and her husband were fired from their company, Maytag Aircraft. The next day, the above-mentioned Web site's Freedom of Information Act request regarding this very subject was fulfilled.

The administration has made a lot of noise about not releasing these pictures, saying they're only being considerate of the families of soldiers. Considering Dubya's eagerness to use the 9/11 disaster as a campaign point, it's easy to see this is a lie.

The news sites I frequent tend to have message boards filled with people asking whatever voice that's listening to release these pictures. The occasional eagerness behind these requests has made me wonder just why they want to see them so badly. One comment suggests, "They'll show the human cost of the war, show the butcher's bill in stark color."

That may be, but we don't need lines of flag-draped pine boxes to tell us this. Two hundred eight-eight pictures is a number to give one pause, but it's only a third of a more significant account: 828. As of press time, that's the coalition soldier fatality count since the war commenced, as tallied by lunaville.org. Imagine Crawford, TX (pop. 705) obliterated by Iraq. A tenth of that number was killed in Vietnam in 1965. The only solution anyone can seem to offer to stall the meat-grinder is to shove more gristle into it.

Visiting the "Iraq Casualty Count" of thememoryhole.org and the lunaville.org is a sobering experience. The Lunaville Web site provides a startling amount of information on the human beings that would otherwise just be numbers. Names, hometowns, branch of service — every name listed there is a book slammed shut on a story, more real than any sound-bite stories aired on Fox or MTV: Friends with an empty stool at the bar, families with more Christmas leftovers than the year before.

For the people not actually on the front lines, it is difficult to not experience war as a spectator sport. It's on TV all the time. Every now and again some guy with perfect hair and a striped red, white and blue tie pops up and tells us, matter of factly, who's winning. If you don't know anyone involved in the conflict (and with 100,000 troops deployed and 250 million Americans, odds are good that this is true for most people), it's hard to be invested in it.

Well, go see the pictures and count the names and be invested. "But, JP," you demand, "I bought a flag and a handful of bumper stickers. What else can I do?" Well

J.P.
Acreman



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that's a start. But, it is literally the least you can do.

Americans are go-to types of folk. Let's look into more manageable, practical gestures to let our soldiers know we're thinking of them and gunning for them to return flying coach, not cargo.

If you have friends or family over there, you're already a step ahead. Write them — Constantly. Say anything: "I love you," "I just saved a bundle on my car insurance," or "A priest, a rabbi and a penguin walk into a bar" are all acceptable topics. Soldiers have email access and even get to check it occasionally, so you have no excuse. If you can, get an address, snail mail is not quite obsolete yet. These have the advantage of being able to be read by grenade-light, which is the third most prevalent source of illumination in many parts of Iraq.

Now, if you have both Internet access and the ability to lick stamps, then you're in luck — www.usocares.com is the home of Operation: USO Care Package. The government can't afford to buy these guys body armor, and Halliburton keeps stealing their food, so it's up to us to supply our guys and gals. Cans of tuna, beef jerky, cookies, cigarettes, sunscreen, books, DVDs, old issues of Maxim, phone cards, more cigarettes; pretty much anything somebody could need in the desert should be sent over there.

Proving that the Internet is useful for more than porn and bootleg copies of "Club Dread," try defendamerica.org and www.usmc.mil for more ideas. It's not just a good idea; it's your patriotic duty.

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I bet Tampa Bay Buccaneer defensive end Simeon Rice is wishing he would have kept his mouth shut. The former Arizona Cardinal, and teammate of the late Pat Tillman, had some disparaging remarks about the admiration Tillman was receiving this time last year for giving up his three-year, \$3.6 million contract to go make \$17,000 a year as an Army Ranger.

ESPN's Sportscenter ran a piece about Tillman and his brother, a minor league baseball player, who also left his dream of being a professional athlete to serve his country. After Tillman joined the Army Rangers in the wake of the 9/11 terror attacks, Rice opened his mouth on the Jim Rome radio show last year.

"(Pat) really wasn't that good, not really," Rice said. "He was good enough to play in Arizona, but that's just like the NFL."

Rice is a perfect example of what is wrong with the average professional athlete, and what made Tillman special.

For those of you who haven't heard Tillman's story or you've been living under a rock for the past week, Tillman, a San Jose, Calif., native starred at Arizona State as an undersized, overachieving linebacker. He won PAC-10 Defensive Player of the Year in 1997, but was not expected to make much noise in the NFL.

He joined the Arizona Cardinals and played in his college stadium at the safety position. He may not have been the greatest safety the game has seen, but he quickly made a name for himself as a hard hitter and a great team player.

But enough about Tillman, the football player, let's talk about Tillman, the man. Tillman refused red shirt in college, in fact, he graduated in 3 1/2 years with a 3.84 GPA in marketing without utilizing the help of an academic adviser that is specially offered to student athletes.

Oh yeah, one more thing about Tillman as a man — Thursday he died for his country in a firefight in Afghanistan.

Don't get me wrong, a professional athlete who pays the ultimate sacrifice for his country is the same as any soldier who dies while serving his or her country. But, is it wrong to say that what Tillman did was more spectacular, just by fact, not by his own mindset? In fact, Tillman spent a year turning

down interview requests and told his parents and his youngest brother to be on the hush when contacted by reporters. He, nor his brother, felt they were anything special, and no better than their Ranger comrades.

I by no means consider myself a die-hard patriot. I love where I live, but I do not support the war effort going on right now. And that brings me to an important point. I hear, all too often, narrow-minded individuals saying I can't disagree with the war effort and support the troops at the same time.

When I was talking to a friend the other day, she listed a handful of friends who are either in the conflict right now or could possibly go since the situation over there will not get better any time soon. My cousin is in the Navy and is over there somewhere (we don't know exactly where except that he's on an airc. aft carrier in the Persian Gulf).

Adam
Boedeker



Tillman was touched by 9/11, just like most sane Americans. Many people, including myself, pondered joining the military after the attack out of pure anger. Mine lasted for about two days; Tillman decided to do something about it, and paid the ultimate price.

Yes, I have a strong dislike for Bush, and many of his policies, but my thoughts and prayers go out to the men and women who are risking their lives in the Middle East.

Tillman married his high school sweetheart just two months before he was deployed to Iraq last March, he spent two months with the woman he had loved since his teenage years before making the ultimate sacrifice.

I honestly do not know if I could handle going over there knowing that I could die at any minute and never see my friends and loved ones again. I don't think I would go over there to possibly die if I had \$3.6 million sitting on the table to play a game that I've loved my entire life for a living. That's what made Tillman so special in my eyes.

True, his life was no more important than any other soldier's, but the intrigue of his story has made headlines across the country even though that's the exact opposite of what he wanted.

In watching the aforementioned Sportscenter piece that was replayed this weekend in the wake of his death, something happened. There I was, reading my *Sports Illustrated*, watching television when I was, hearing my magazine.

The tear-jerking moment came when Tillman's father, speaking before his son's death, commented on the strength of his sons' characters. I don't know the exact quote so I will paraphrase, but it was something along the lines of "A man only has a few times in life when he's called on to step up and do something, and sometimes you may only have a few seconds to do it. If you don't do it, you regret it for a while, and I believe that eats away at a man for the rest of his life. That's how my sons felt, and that's why they did it."

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Even if you don't support the war on terror, appreciate soldiers' sacrifice

Capt. James F. Adamowski, Cpl. Brian Kennedy, Spc. Justin W. Johnson are three names of three soldiers who will never return home because their lives ended this spring in Iraq. Each of them paid this price before they reached the age of 30.

If you visit www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/2003/iraq/forces/casualties/ you'll see a never-ending graveyard of pictures for some of 828 coalition-force soldiers who have died as of April 27. There's something sobering about scrolling quickly down the list, each photo flashing in front of you as if the stories of these soldiers are being told through your screen. And, as we talk about saluting our soldiers, there is nothing more important that we must remember: They each had stories they

Kristen
Gilbreth



were in the process of writing; they each had a reason for living. And, now — they are dead.

As of yesterday, 724 of the Iraq war's coalition deaths are American — that is more than 87 percent. Despite any type of political spin our government tries to tie around this war package, this is not an international effort on the front

lines — red, white and blue blood is the type being shed.

Due to the increasing number of casualties on our side, the mood of our country is solemn. Comparisons are being made in both the political and social realm about Iraq echoing Vietnam. While the analogy may hold some validity, the purpose of *The University Daily* printing this special page today is to send a message to our troops and to our campus: Iraq will not become Vietnam. Each of the columnists featured have views against the war and questions surrounding our government's decisions. But, at the same time, we know we will always honor our soldiers.

I want our men and women in uniform home. I want to turn back time and never begin this occupation. I want our government to stop sending our troops to police the world.

But, we don't always get what we want.

The bottom line is that even if I disagree with an action our military takes or a policy they enforce, I will never disrespect what they put on the line for America; I will not disagree without the dedication of American freedom fighters. We are free to openly disagree or protest, because this is one of the rights preserved by the job they do.

But, today as we sit in our comfortable classroom: drowning in paid-for-in-blood privileges, the least we can do is say thank you.

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New DVD releases may ease finals stress

Those not studying for finals this weekend will find a good selection of new films that have arrived on DVD and video this week.

James Eppler



In what I felt was almost the best film of 2003, (bested only by "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King") the director Tim Burton ("Batman," "Edward Scissorhands") has created a film that reminded me what I love about movies: beautiful imagery, wonderful storytelling and an imagination that's almost too big for the film to contain it.

"Big Fish" is the story of a son trying to connect with his father who has told him wild stories for his entire life.

The son (Billy Crudup) feels his old father (Albert Finney) hides behind these tall tales to conceal who he really is.

We get to hear many of these stories, the young version of the father being played by a wide-smiling Ewan McGregor, involving giants, circus freaks, homicidal trees and a secret town in the woods.

If it wasn't the best film of 2003, it was certainly the most beautiful to watch. The DVD is an excellent package with a bright and

crisp transfer of the actual film and a load of special features.

The special features include audio commentary by Burton and no less than seven documentaries including the making of the film, the special effects and certain issues the film deals with.

"Big Fish" is a must-see film and a must-own DVD.

RATING:



"The Cooler"

Bernie Lootz (William H. Macy) is a Las Vegas casino "cooler," (which is a guy with rotten luck hired by a casino to badly influence gamblers on a hot streak).

He's one of the best coolers in Vegas, according to casino manager Shelly Kaplow (Alec Baldwin in his Oscar nominated role). But Lootz's luck changes when he falls in love with Natalie (Maria Bello), a casino waitress who finds him inexplicably fascinating.

Lootz's newfound lady luck, however, is bad for Kaplow's business and he'll do whatever it takes to turn Lootz's luck toward the negative again. It's one of the cooler movies of 2003 with dynamite, and a twist ending.

The DVD contains director and crew commentaries, an "Anatomy of a Scene" feature and a Music Only Track, which is a nice feature that showcases the movie's killer soundtrack.

Those aching for a different kind of love story amidst the fluffy romances should roll the dice on "The Cooler."

RATING:



"Love Actually"

Speaking of fluff, "Love Actually" nearly overdoses on sweetness and sentimentality.

The film, written and directed by Richard Curtis (who wrote "Bridget Jones's Diary"), contains somewhere near 10 love stories.

There's a huge British cast including Hugh Grant, Emma Thompson, Alan Rickman and Colin Firth — just to name a few, and each has their own vignette.

The film runs over two hours because Curtis had too many ideas for love stories and wanted to include them all. But the movie is a charmer.

A few of these love stories are often funny, sexy and touching at times, but several of the stories could have been easily omitted. It is, however, compulsively likable.

The DVD includes several deleted scenes (yes, I was surprised that there were any) and a feature on the music in the film.

RATING:



"Stuck on You"

I was surprised at how much I liked "Stuck on You," a Siamese twin comedy from the sick

minds of the Farrelly brothers ("Dumb and Dumber," "There's Something About Mary").

Matt Damon and Greg Kinnear are the Tenor brothers who are joined at the hip. The grown men have learned to deal with the abnormality and even use it to their advantage as short-order cooks in a fast food restaurant.

But Kinnear wants to go to California to pursue an acting career, much to the chagrin of Damon, who hyperventilates and has horrible stage fright.

One would think this would be a one-joke movie, but leave it to the Farrelly brothers to find humor and even heart in a story about people with a physical disability.

They attempted the same thing in "Shallow Hal," but totally forgot to include any laughs. "Stuck on You" has big laughs and a big heart. The DVD features include commentary by the Farrellys, Deleted Scenes, Bloopers, and three Behind the Scenes Features.

RATING:



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Study: dyslexia more common in boys than girls

CHICAGO (AP) — Dyslexia really is more common in boys than girls, new research says, contradicting studies suggesting that boys are simply more likely to be diagnosed with the problem because they tend to act up in class when they get frustrated.

The findings suggest boys are at least twice as likely to have dyslexia, a learning disability that involves trouble with reading, said the authors, led by Dr. Michael Rutter of King's College in London. They said the findings should prompt research into why this is so.

Rutter and colleagues based their findings on data from four large studies involving more than 10,000 children who had been given standard reading tests in New Zealand and Britain.

Dyslexia was found in 18 percent to about 22 percent of the boys, compared with 8 percent to 13 percent of the girls. Children took reading tests at various times in each study, between ages 7 and 15.

Rutter and colleagues said the results are strong because the studies did not rely on children who were already known to be having learning difficulties — a weakness that plagued some previous research.

Rutter's report appears in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

It is unlikely to settle a debate among learning specialists over the gender issue.

Sheldon Horowitz, director of professional services at the National Center for Learning Disabilities, said boys are not necessarily more likely to have reading problems. Instead, he suggested girls' reading problems may be more likely to go unnoticed by teachers.

"Boys who are sitting in class and not getting it are going to be acting out with greater frequency than girls because that's not 'girl' behavior," Horowitz said.

Girls are more likely to sit quietly and may have verbal skills that make it appear as though they are understanding when they are not, he said.

Of the nearly 3 million U.S. youngsters with learning disabilities, Horowitz said about 80 percent have dyslexia. Children with the disorder have normal intelligence but reading problems that can include difficulties identifying words and letter sounds.

Some data have suggested that male and female brains process reading differently, and girls are believed to become proficient in language skills earlier.

Horowitz said there is strong evidence suggesting there are no significant gender differences when it comes to dyslexia.

Some of the strongest evidence favoring that theory came from Dr. Sally Shaywitz's study of more than 400 Connecticut schoolchildren, published in 1990. The Yale University researcher found that boys were much more likely than girls to be placed in special reading classes, but that there were no substantial differences between the numbers of boys and girls with reading difficulties.

Horowitz said research is needed to determine if there are any sex-linked genes that would explain Rutter's theory.

Act Two of Michael Jackson case features new cast of lawyers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Act Two of the Michael Jackson child molestation case gets under way this week with a new cast of lawyers taking center stage.

"My life is at stake," the pop star said as he announced firing his two high profile lawyers, Mark Geragos and Benjamin Brafman.

At the counsel table when court reconvenes Friday will be Thomas Mesereau Jr., a well known advocate whose work on behalf of the downtrodden and minorities was a selling point for the superstar who has been involved in fund raising for numerous causes.

Mesereau also is a veteran of a star trial, having represented actor Robert Blake in a murder case for the past year before they had a falling out.

Sitting beside Mesereau will be Steve Cochran, Jackson's longtime lawyer, and Robert Sanger of Santa Barbara, who has represented Jackson

in lawsuits in the county where his Neverland ranch is located.

From his statement, it appeared that Jackson broke with Geragos because of the attorney's representation of Scott Peterson on charges that Peterson murdered his wife, Laci, and their unborn child.

Jackson felt that Geragos' involvement in that trial, which is in jury selection, was taking up too much of his time.

"It is imperative that I have the full attention of those who are representing me. My life is at stake," Jackson said. "Therefore, I must feel confident that my interests are of the highest priority. I am innocent of these false charges, and will aggressively seek to clear my name."

"I feel very confident that when I am able to defend myself, I will be exonerated by a jury of my peers," Jackson said.

Jackson, 45, is free on \$3 million

bond. He was originally charged with seven counts of lewd or lascivious conduct involving a child under 14 and with administering an intoxicant, reportedly wine, to a child under 14.

Brafman, one of New York's top criminal defense attorneys, declined to comment on Jackson's statement, as did Geragos.

"I have not replaced my defense team," Jackson said. "I have replaced the lead attorneys. And, contrary to reports, this is a decision that I have personally made."

The statement which said flatly that Geragos and Brafman were "terminated" came a day after the lawyers said they voluntarily "stepped down" from the case for reasons they would not discuss publicly.

In a hearing Monday afternoon by conference call, Superior Court Judge Rodney Melville approved the substitution of lead counsel.

The change comes less than a week before Jackson is due in Santa Maria

Superior Court for arraignment on a grand jury indictment.

Behind the scenes, sources said that yet another attorney had been directing the negotiations that led to the dismissal of Negogos and Brafman.

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Raiders homer way to win

MADISON EDWARDS (29) AND Cameron Blair celebrate Blair's grand slam in the bottom of the fourth inning during Tech's 10-1 win against New Mexico on Tuesday evening at Dan Law Field. It was Blair's third grand slam of the season. The Raiders travel to face Kansas this weekend for a three-game series.

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The University Daily



By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

Sleepers for the Texas Tech baseball team came out Tuesday night to prove the Red Raiders have depth in their lineup, both in pitching and at the plate. One of those depth players was junior pitcher John Milton, who said he has not been throwing the way he is expected to for a while, but it all changed in his start against New Mexico. Pitching his longest outing of the year at seven innings, Milton picked up the win against New Mexico at Dan Law Field, when the Red Raiders routed their opponent 10-1.

"I've been throwing bad until now," he said. "I started tonight, and I took the ball and ran with it." Milton struck out three batters, allowed one run and three hits in a total of 82 pitches against the Lobos. He said head coach Larry Hays has been asking him questions about his past performances, and he gave him the answer on Tuesday.

"(Hays) has been asking where the velocity was," Milton said. "And it really paid off." With three pitchers taking the mound and keeping pace for the Raiders, Hays said the game started off kind of slow for both teams, but Tech picked it up quickly.

"We struggled early on in the game, but all three pitchers went after their hitters," he said. "I was worried how we could handle it, but we did."

Neither the Red Raiders nor the Lobos could capitalize on opportunities in the first three innings. The bottom of the fourth was a different story. Walking two batters, New Mexico gave up first and second base. With two outs and a full count, junior catcher Matthew Coco was thrown four

balls to fill the bases. Junior shortstop Cameron Blair stepped up looking for the right pitch. The count was 1-2 with a single strike determining if the side is retired or not. He blasted a grand slam homerun over the left field wall, his third of the season. Blair has a 14-game hitting streak after batting 2-for-4 on Tuesday night, and he said the grand slam was not something he was planning.

"I wasn't even trying to go yard or hit it out of the park," he said. "I do think that the hit opened things up for us, though."

Tech had the 4-0 lead against the Lobos, and once again, Milton blanked New Mexico at the top of the fifth. The Raiders did not stop there. Tech added four more runs in the fifth with two-run homeruns by second baseman Jose Delgado and Coco to put the Raiders ahead, 8-0.

Leading off for the Raiders in the eighth inning, Coco belted his second homerun of the night, giving Tech a 9-1 lead. Marcus Lewis came in to pinch run later that inning and scored on a double by centerfielder Michael Mask.

Another backup for the Raiders, Coco, said his performance at the plate was something that has been a long time coming.

"I just took advantage of the little opportunities thrown at me tonight," he said. "I got up to the plate, and I was patient."

Tech moved up to sixth in the nation for scoring, averaging 9.4 runs per game.

Tech takes Big 12 action to the diamond in Lawrence, Kan., this weekend to face Kansas at 6 p.m. Friday, before finishing off the three-game series at 6 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday.

Mailbag analyzes year in Raiderland

Another year is about to end at Tech, and as I see the parking lots become packed with lost souls trying to make up for the two months they skipped earlier in the year, thoughts of the past and future fill my head. But instead of looking to the past wistfully in an obligatory recap column, the mailbag will instead be opened to provide some final week analysis for sports fans.

Hey Kyle, what was the best Tech sports moment this year? Billy from Shallowater.

Billy, there were several good moments on campus this year but the Red Raider football squad's destruction of Texas A&M is by far the best. Sure the Aggies went 4-7 in 2003 but A&M vs. Tech defies the rules of a normal game.

Former Tech quarterback and recently signed Houston Texan passer B.J. Symons threw for 505 yards and seven touchdowns during a 59-28 spanking of the Aggies. A&M fans had to endure another loss to Tech, and I had lots of hate mail to read after my Aggie bashing column. I love A&M week.

Kyle, speaking of Tech football, how is the squad going to be? And who will be starting at quarterback this season? David from Midland.

Tech's success in 2004 will once again be determined by how well its defense plays. Improvements have been, and will

continue to be made to this group because the Raiders know defense wins championships. Now they just need to pass the information along to the Dallas Mavericks.

Meanwhile, Tech's offense will be re-energized with the addition of receivers Jarrett Hicks and Joel Filani to a group with returning superstars Nehemiah Glover and Taurean Henderson.

The 2004 Tech team should be on pace with its two previous editions but with Oklahoma returning as the South stalwart and Texas returning to an aggressive run offense Tech will have some trouble. Tech will start 4-0 but after a gruesome October schedule of Oklahoma, Nebraska, Texas and Kansas State Tech will be 4-4. With three winnable games to close the season Tech could finish 7-4.

As for the quarterback situation, Sonny Cumbie's experience may earn him the nod, but Robert Johnson will make his presence felt when he is on the field and press the issue of splitting time between the two.

Hey Kyle, no one appreciates that Mavericks crack you made. If the Mavs are so bad, what team will win the NBA title? Jim from Grapevine.

Jim, don't kid yourself, everyone loves a Mavericks' defense joke. And to answer your question, the San

Kyle Clark



Tech's success will once again be determined by how well its defense plays. Improvements have been and will continue to be made to this group because the Raiders know defense wins championships.

Antonio Spurs or Los Angeles Lakers will win the title. Next round's showdown between the Lakers and Spurs will be an epic struggle between a promising squad and a team trying its best to rally against the dying of the light.

Since indecisive people are worthless, I will take the high road and pick the Lakers to win the series and the

title. Karl Malone and Kobe Bryant are playing with too much intensity to lose. Plus the Lakers have a bigger incentive to win — they might not be together next season to try again.

Kyle, you caused a little bit more of a stir this year with the column about Tech's defense and the whole chivalry fiasco. You got something up your sleeve for 2004-2005? Jane from Denver.

Jane, if I learned anything this year, I learned what it means to be a columnist. Everything was honky dory when I was making fun of Aggies or Roy Williams, but mix some Red Raider slams and chauvinist remarks in and I'm public enemy No. 1. But you can't please everyone, or in my case anyone, especially women.

Hey Kyle, being your only regular pen pal this year I feel like you owe me a "thank you." By the way, what did you think about the Detroit Lions' draft? Lion Roy from Detroit.

Roy, if I will miss anything after this year it will be the good letters I received from you. Your shameless self-promotion made for a great satire mailbag column each week.

And I thought the Lions' draft was great. To grab a capable receiver like you and then select a necessity running back in Kevin Jones was a smart move. If receiver Charles Rogers returns well from an injury the Lions' receiving corps might make Lions' president Matt Millen look smart, and that is about as hard as making me look skinny.

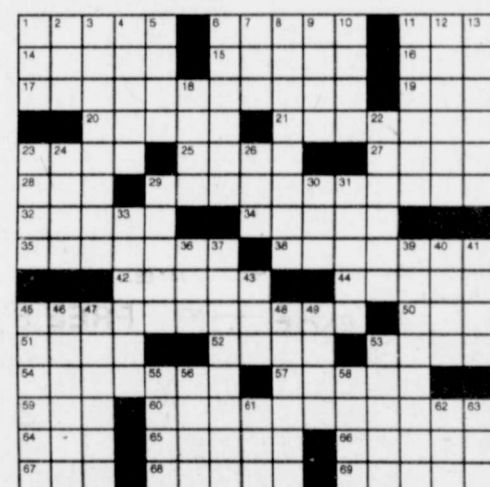
Everyone have a great summer and if you catch the summertime blues, medicate the condition with lots of beer.

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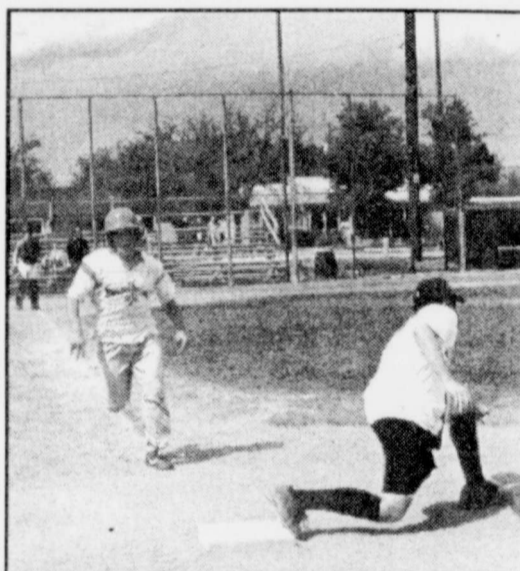


Caught! First baseman Kevin Wright of the Franchise is ready to tag out Cavlo Gagna of the B.C. Strippers during Saturday's baseball tournament game at Hodges Park.

The Franchise won their first game over the BC Strippers 14 to 1 as Jed Anderson threw a 3-hitter and Chase Phariss hit a 3-run homer to lead the run production. Zach Wilson scored 4 runs and Angel Villalobos hit a grand slam home run as the Kings outslugged Alligator Garr 18 to 11 in their opening game. Bling scored 6 runs in the 1st and 4th innings in defeating Dig D 14-9. Clint Russell led his team with 3 runs scored. KYX scored 8 runs in the final inning to break open a close game against the Brewers, winning 16 to 7 and advancing. Justin Davis, Jeff Turton and Kenny Furr all scored 3 runs to lead the attack.

In Sunday's consolation games Alligator Garr scored in every inning to run rule BC Strippers 23-8. In one of the most exciting games of the tournament, Big D scored 2 runs in the first extra inning and then held on to defeat the Brewers 9 to 7.

Four teams remain in the hunt for the annual Rec Sports Spring Baseball Tournament Championship scheduled to conclude this weekend at Dan Law Field. The Franchise will square off against the Kings at Noon on Saturday while Bling will go up against KYX at 2:30pm in the other semifinal. Winners will play Sunday for the top spot. In the consolation finals, Alligator Garr will play Big D.



Out! Adam Thompson tries to beat the throw to first during Sunday's tournament game against Big D. Big D won 11 to 9 in extra innings.

CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK

Intramurals Set To Crown Champions In 3 Sports Today & Thursday!

Looking for something to do? If you're not playing a sport come out and enjoy the end of the year tournaments as Intramurals wraps up the spring semester. Tonight's title games are for softball and tomorrow we crown the sand volleyball and football champions.

Sport	Location
Indoor Soccer	SRC Soccer Arena
4on4 Football	IM Fields
Volleyball	Sand Courts
Softball	Softball Fields

Check www.recsports.ttu.edu for game times

A Great Big Thank You!

To all our Rec Center employees who have made the 2003-2004 school year a great one. We appreciate your hard work and everything you do!

Think Intramurals Is Done Till Fall?

Sign-ups for Summer Intramurals (1st session) begin Tuesday, May 25th through Thursday, June 10th. Softball, 3 on 3 Basketball and 7 on 7 Dodgeball are the sports that will be played during the 1st session. Other sports this summer include Ultimate Frisbee and Sand Volleyball. Students, Faculty and Staff are eligible for participation. Forms can be obtained in the IM office (SRC 203).

STUDENT RECREATION CENTER HOURS

Open Recreation Hours

Mon. - Thurs.	6a.m. - Midnight
Friday	6a.m. - 10:30pm
Saturday	9am - 9pm
Sunday	noon - 11pm

Aquatic Center Hours

Monday - Friday	Saturday-Sunday
6:30am - 8:45am	2pm - 6:45pm
Noon - 1:20pm	
3:00pm - 8:45pm	

Special Time Change

The Rec Center/Aquatic Center will close at 7pm Tuesday, May 4 for the Student Appreciation Dinner.

Sticking Around Till Summer Classes Start?

School may be coming to a close but the Student Rec Center is still going strong. If you're in town after finals and are still looking to work out, the Rec Center will switch to interim hours May 3rd. Check out the web site www.recsports.ttu.edu for a complete listing of facility, centers and office hours.

Tans Arriving Soon... Aquatic Center Top Comes Off May 12th and Reopens May 16th!

Long Course Swim

Come swim in an Olympic sized pool! Long course is Saturday May 1, 2004 from 10am-Noon.

Lifeguarding Classes At The Aquatic Center

Lifeguard Challenge

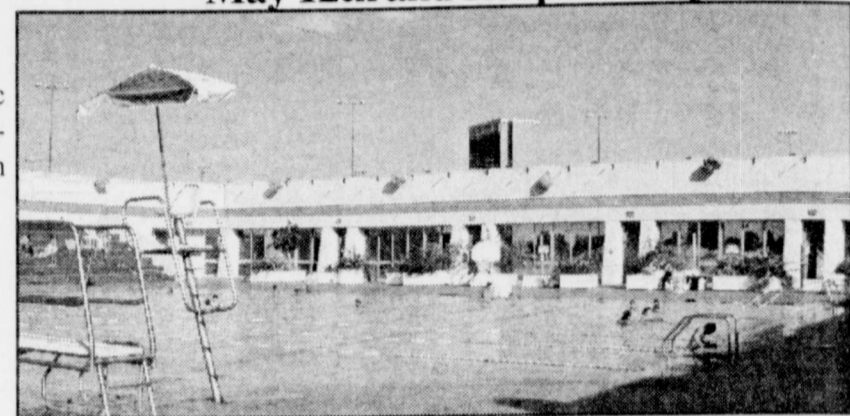
Are you currently Lifeguard certified, but need to renew? Are you certified by another agency or familiar with the American Red Cross material? We have a challenge format set up for you! Call the Aquatic Center for more information at 742-3896. Cost = \$75 (\$40 CPR only)

Upcoming Classes: April 29: 3-6pm or May 2: 3-6pm.

Lifeguard Class

Are you interested in becoming a Red Cross Lifeguard? Sign up for the May Lifeguard class! The course includes Lifeguarding, Standard First Aid, and CPR for the professional rescuer. The cost is \$120 for TTU and \$130 for community (books included).

Session 5 begins May 16. Register in the A. C. today.



FITNESS/WELLNESS

Dead Day Fitness Jam

Burn off some pre-stress finals at the Dead Day Fitness Jam held Tuesday, May 4 from 5:30-7:00 pm in Room 114. This fun, energizing class will include Step, Kickboxing, Cardio Belly and Toning along with a warm-up and cool-down. Come for the workout, come for the fun, come for the prizes! This will be the only class of the day.

Total Rec Live!

Summer Teen Fitness Camp

Know of a teen 12-16 who wants fun, fitness experience? Tell them about TRE—Total Rec Experience—a 2 week of cardio and muscular strength session that runs from 1:30-3 pm June 14-25 Monday through Friday. Cost is \$45 per child of Rec Center members; \$60 for community. Call 742.3828 for details.

Finals/Interim Fitness Classes

Group Exercise fitness classes will continue on an interim basis during May. Check www.recsports.ttu.edu for a complete listing or pick up a schedule when you are in the Rec.

Wed., May 5	12:10 Step Express 3:00 TBC 5:30 Powerball 5:30 Cardio Step 5:30 Water Fitness	Friday, May 7	12:10 Step Express 5:30 Shape and Tone 5:30 CardioStep/Abs and Back
Thursday, May 6	12:10 Shape and Tone 3:00 Step Express 5:30 TBC	Saturday, May 8	3:00 Weekend Energy
		Sunday, May 9	5:30 Shape and Tone 5:30 Weekend Energy

OUTDOOR PURSUITS

Mountain Bike Day Trip

Need a break from studying or ride to try some more challenging trails? Here is chance to get out of town for the day and enjoy a day of mountain biking in Palo Duro Canyon State Park. Palo Duro Canyon offers some of the more scenic and adventurous trails in West Texas.

When is the trip? Saturday, May 1.

What you have to provide? You must provide your own mountain bike, helmet, personal clothing and a positive mental attitude.

What is included in the trip cost? The cost of the trip includes leadership, transportation, entrance fees, food at the activity site, and instruction.

What does New Mexico Mountain Bike Trip cost? The cost is \$15

How do I sign-up? To sign up for this trip, stop by our office located at the north entrance of the SRC and fill out a trip registration form and pay the trip cost. You may also call 742-2949 for more information. The sign-up deadline for the Day Mountain Bike Trip is April 29.

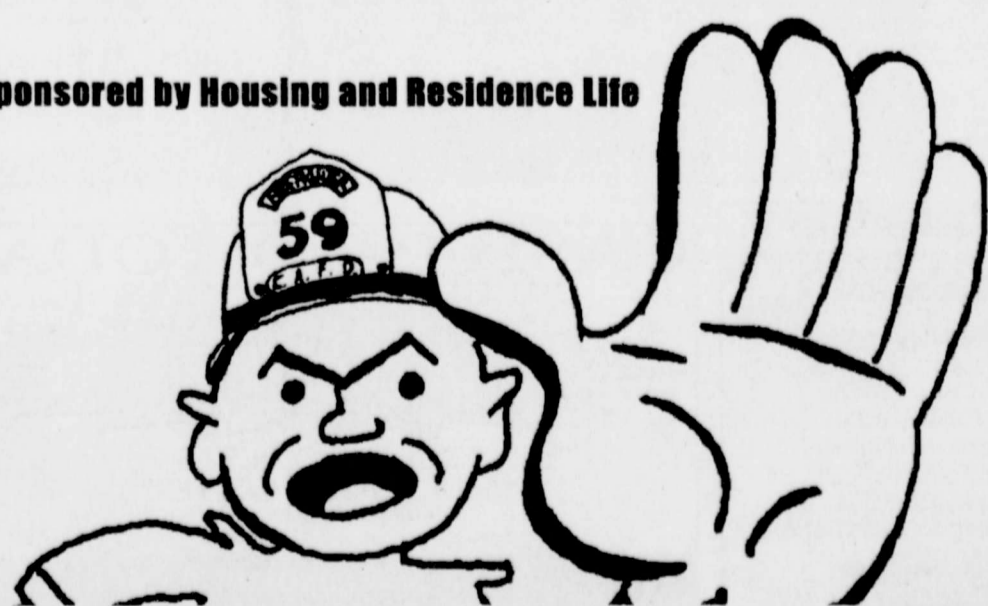
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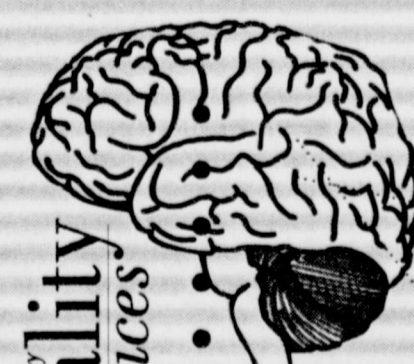
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